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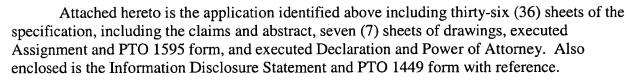
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TOOL PATH PREPARING METHOD AND MACHINING METHOD

Assignee: STAR MICRONICS CO., LTD.

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Dear Sir:



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Priority is claimed from August 11, 2000, based on Japanese Patent Application No. P.2000-244620. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Saturday, the filing of this application on Monday, August 13, 2001, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,

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